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Marginal Column

By COMMENTATOR

THE struggle for economic power has been closely interwoven with the fight for political domination in Egypt, but it has not received as much attention. The last Hilali Government was brought down by a coalition between the industrialists, headed by Ahmed Abboud (Pasha) and the right wing of the Wafd, led by the Secretary-General, Fuad Seraj e-Din. The latter, together with his numerous brothers, is co-owner of the many Aboud enterprises, such as the Khedive shipping line, soap factories, sugar refineries etc. Most of them have been in distress of late, and Aboud had demanded state aid, but the Minister of Finance in the Hilali Government was willing to oblige only at a price: that these enterprises should be nationalized or at least state-controlled. This of course was anathema to the industrialists, and Fuad Seraj e-Din declared in a speech in Alexandria that Zaki el Mota'al (Pasha), then Finance Minister, was responsible for the crisis in Egypt.

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ABOUD, in collaboration with the rightist Wafd leaders, caused the downfall of the Hilali Government, and engineered the rise of Sirry, who, *mirabile dictu* had been elected a member of their Board of Directors two days earlier. Nor were they at a loss after Sirry's downfall; the Aboud-Seraj e-Din interests in the present Cabinet are represented by Sobeir Garane, another member of their Board of Directors. Egyptian industrialists are very much in favour of state interference at the present time, but they would like to have it a one way affair. When Aboud's political wire-pulling was criticized in Cairo, "Balagh," the official Wafd paper owned by Fuad Seraj e-Din, came to his defence: Aboud is entitled to be active in politics just as every other citizen—it said; he is a very patriotic citizen, moreover, he bought the British out of many companies and enterprises, thus Egyptianizing them; more power to him!

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THE present purge within the ranks of the Wafd is a mere sham, so long as those who amassed vast fortunes during the last few years are not affected. The ousting of a few second-grade leaders who never really had a decisive voice in the party councils is hardly liable to mislead anybody in Cairo as abroad. Fuad Seraj e-Din, instead of being purged, is directing the purge, and is quite confident of weathering the present storm. But resentment against him has been growing in the ranks of the younger Wafdist leaders, who know perfectly well that they have to break the dictatorship of Seraj e-Din to bring about a real change in the party. They will not be satisfied with the sacrifice of a few incompetent former ministers and feudal landowners. Seraj e-Din's position was further weakened the other day, by a startling revelation at the Ahmed Hussein trial. This former Fascist leader, and present "peace" movement standard bearer, had received from Seraj e-Din secret funds to organize riots when the latter was Minister of the Interior. Tammany at its worst during the time of Boss Tweed appears to have been mere child's play compared to what has been going on in some sections of the Wafd leadership. Yet Fuad Seraj e-Din has the apparatus and the press at his disposal, he has the money and he is backed by Ahmed Aboud, and it is doubtful whether Najib and his officers, in collaboration with the younger Wafdists, will be able to prevail against him. Najib has snubbed Seraj e-Din, but the Secretary-General of the Wafd can afford to be snubbed. Any steps short of ousting him and his friends will be ineffectual.

Jerusalem, August 10

Gamma Quiet As Greeks, Bulgars Complain to U.N.

ATHENS, Saturday (Reuter) — A Greek patrol last night inspected the disputed frontier island of Gamma, where Greeks fired on Bulgarians two days ago. It was officially announced here. They did not find any Bulgarians and withdrew from the Island it was understood.

Greek border guards machine-gunned a Bulgarian soldier seen going towards the Island in the Evros (Maritza) river forming the Greek-Bulgarian border.

A spokesman of the Greek General Staff said yesterday that Greek border forces might open fire again if any more Bulgarians were sighted on Gamma, but they would not man the Island at present. A Greek government spokesman said the action taken by Greek troops was of "local importance," and had been unnecessarily exaggerated.

Bulgarian Version

A Bulgarian despatch to the United Nations gave a version of the incidents which it called part of the "openly aggressive and bellicose policy" of the Greek government. It asked that the dispatch be circulated to U.N. members. It said:

Three provocative armed acts of the Greek Government were met with the iron calm and high discipline of the Bulgarian frontier guards. Despite artillery, mortar and machine-gun fire from the Greek military units against Bulgarian territory, no shot was fired from the Bulgarian side.

The Greek representative at the U.N. said that there was no intention at present of bringing the dispute to the Security Council but added that the situation was nevertheless serious. Mr. Alexis Kyrou, permanent Greek U.N. delegate, said this dispute was much graver than the minor Greek-Bulgarian disputes in the past six years.

The Greek Government was still prepared to accept some form of mediation, possibly through the good offices of Secretary General Trygve Lie, Mr. Kyrou said. Meanwhile the Greek Government considers itself completely entitled under Article 51 of the Charter to take individual measures of self defence to preserve what it considers to be its inherent territorial rights.

The Acting Secretary General was yesterday consulting with other high officials on the best way of dealing with the Greek Government's complaint.

Macao Settlement Seen at Hand

MACAO, Saturday (Reuter). — Officials of this Portuguese colony have contacted the Chinese Communist government by telephone and radio in an attempt to settle the recent border dispute, usually reliable sources said today.

Details of the radio and telephone contacts were not disclosed, but hopes were expressed that the dispute would be settled in a few days.

Ma Man Ki, one of Macao's two Chinese truce delegates, crossed the frontier into China today but returned 10 minutes later. Shortly afterwards he left again for China accompanied by the other delegate, Ho Yin.

The two returned after three hours but made no statement.

Ho is chairman of Macao's Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Ma is director of Macao's branch of the Bank of Communist China.

Machine-gun and mortar clashes between frontier guards occurred on July 20 for the second time and sea communications were closed.

No Breakdown In Hague Talks

THE HAGUE, Saturday. — Mr. Gershon Avner, political adviser to the Israel delegation stated emphatically yesterday that there will be no breakdown in the reparations talks. He affirmed that some of the points yet to be settled when Professor Franz Boehm, leader of the West German delegation went to Bonn, were still in abeyance after his return on Thursday night. Prof. Boehm brought back suggestions on other points, "some of which are good and can be worked out," Mr. Avner added.

The main point still unsettled is that Israel should be assured compensation in goods should the Mark be devalued. "We may not get the full 100 per cent, but we want to safeguard the principle underlying the question of stabilization," Mr. Avner said.

Professor Boehm said yesterday afternoon that he did not expect instructions from Bonn on the devaluation issue until Chancellor Adenauer had informed the ministers concerned of his personal views. The cabinet would then decide. Both the Professor, and his deputy, Dr. A. Frohwein emphatically discounted the possibility of the negotiations being broken off if no agreement is reached on this issue.

Australian Support

Australia has asked the West German Government to support the claim for compensation made against Israel by the German Templars, Professor Boehm said yesterday.

The Templars are claiming £20m. as compensation for their property confiscated in Israel. An Australian note on the subject stated that the Templars were given permission to enter Australia on the understanding that they would be allowed to invest their assets, seized by the Israel Government as security for compensation payable to Israel by Germany, in Australia. Control of Templar property passed to Israel when the British withdrew from Palestine.

German credits in Britain and other countries belonging to the European Payments Union may be made available to Israel for "oil and other purchases" as part of the $1,500m. claim by Israel as reparations from Germany, a "Times" report said yesterday.

International Bank

There is a proposal that Germany make a gift to the International Bank for a loan of $150m., which, if granted will be placed to Israel's account, the report added.

Agreement on these and many other proposals is thought to be reached soon in the negotiations now nearing completion at the Hague would provide for the payment of compensation to Israel by the Bonn Republic, basically in goods, from West Germany, countries where West Germany has trade surpluses amounting to more than 600 m. plus some $60 m. to be paid to the World Jewish Organizations as token compensation for heirless or unclaimed Jewish assets expropriated by Hitler's Reich.

At the outside, the timetable for the completion of reparations is 14 years, but provision has been made, contingent upon German success in negotiating loans from the U.S. and certain other sources, for payment to be completed earlier. (UP, Reuter, INA)

German Debt Talks End with Agreement

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter).—The 20-nation German Debts Conference ended here yesterday after five months with an agreement by which Germany will pay about $50m. each a year as post-war German commercial debts totalling 9,000m. marks.

The terms of the agreement have been recommended for approval by the governments concerned.

The issue to be raised include the U.S. Debt Default Young law of the '30's which helped to put Germany on to her feet after World War I.

Shipments of Austrian Goods to Start Soon

VIENNA, Saturday (UP). — Shipments of Austrian goods under the 100m. schilling ($3.8m.) loan to Israel is expected to start in three weeks, officials of the Austrian Foreign Ministry said yesterday. They said they were waiting for orders from Israel businessmen.

Belgians Protest Two Year Service Law

BRUSSELS, Saturday. — An estimated 25,000 Belgians paraded through the streets in pouring rain today in protest against the law requiring all men to serve two years in the armed forces.

They carried umbrellas and were raincoats shouting "down with 24 Months" as they marched in orderly but noisy fashion behind leaders of the Socialist-controlled General Federation of Labour. Many of the demonstrators were youths of military age and included representatives from most of the country's large cities.

Premier Jean Van Houtte, who was to fly to the Belgian Congo today has postponed his departure until next Wednesday since he wanted to await the outcome of the European Defence Community talks in Paris on Tuesday. *(Reuter, UP)*

Lovett Confirms Arms 'Shortfall'

WASHINGTON, Saturday (R). United States Secretary of Defence Robert Lovett admitted that there had been a reduction of American deliveries of weapons to the European allies at a press conference yesterday.

He said that this, in addition to the economic difficulties of Britain and France with their rearmament programmes would be quite likely to cause a "shortfall" in the defence effort.

Lovett said he could not estimate the size of this shortfall but the whole question would be under review by the NATO meeting starting in September and continuing into mid-December. Lovett commented on press reports that plans by NATO for the creation of 25 combat and 25 reserve divisions for European defence by the end of 1952 had failed.

He regarded these reports as extravagant and smacking of defeatism, and said that any potential enemy which moved against Europe would have a very much tougher time than it would have had a year ago.

Ruhr Authority Gets Germany's Coal Quota

DUSSELDORF, Saturday (Reuter). — The International Ruhr Authority has fixed West Germany's coal export quota for the fourth quarter of this year at 6m. tons. This is 50,000 tons less than in the current quarter, a senior official of the Authority said here last night.

Bitter Battle for 'Capitol Hill'

TOKYO, Saturday. — Chinese Communists mounted their strongest single attempt to wrest the bitterly-contested "Capitol Hill" from South Korean soldiers on the central front today, but they were pushed back.

Three hundred infantrymen rushed the hill after midnight after raking it heavily with artillery fire. Shells landed at the rate of twelve a minute.

Elsewhere in the ground war allied tanks and infantry raided Communist hill positions on the central and west fronts. U.N. troops supported by armour attacked positions southeast of Pyongyang.

From San Diego, Calif., a U.S. Navy fighter squadron commander was quoted as saying that Communist anti-aircraft fire from the Manchurian side of the Yalu River was particularly heavy. Commander Charles Carr reported, "It was the heaviest I ever saw." He had a rendezvous in the air with another plane in which Rear Admiral John H. Brown, Navy public information officer, was flying to Korea on June 25.

South Korean police have arrested a newspaper editor for publishing a report claiming that the Bank of Korea was printing money for use by President Syngman Rhee's political supporters in the election campaign.

In a speech today in Pusan, acknowledging his re-election as President, Dr. Rhee said he did not want to serve again. "But the people have demonstrated their desire to have me to continue the fight." (Reuter, UP)

State of Emergency Declared in Sarawak

SINGAPORE, Saturday (Reuter). — The government of the tiny British Colony of Sarawak today proclaimed a state of emergency in the area of its capital, Sibuking, after bandits killed a policeman on Wednesday.

The bandits left behind Communist pamphlets and written demands for money.

Jordan Breaks Pact on Sending Scopus Wounded to Hospital

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A Mount Scopus policeman, who had accidentally shot himself in the hand on July 20, was transferred to hospital in town on August 6, a week later, because the Jordanians refused to honour an agreement reached previously by the senior Mixed Armistice Commission delegates, that wounded or sick would be transferred to a Jerusalem hospital immediately.

The Army spokesman here said the agreement was reached several months ago between Egan-Aluf Binni Ramati, senior Israel delegate to MACs, and Ahmed Toukan, senior Jordan delegate, following several cases when wounded police or civilians from Mt. Scopus, who could not be treated by the resident doctor, were delayed by formalities. Ahmed Toukan assured Egan-Aluf Ramati that in the future any delay in such cases would not exceed two to three hours.

On July 21, the U.N. Officer who visits Mt. Scopus daily was informed that the resident doctor had recommended the immediate transfer to hospital of the policeman, who had been wounded while cleaning a Sten gun. Later in the day, a U.N. doctor examined the patient. Repeated inquiries by Egan-Aluf Ramati to General Riley's chief assistant and the special representative on Mt. Scopus elicited no further clarification than that "certain technical difficulties had been encountered" with the Jordanians. It later appeared that the Jordanians insisted that a Jordanian doctor inspect the patient, as "they have no confidence in either the U.N. or the Israeli physicians."

The unprecedented procedure was rejected by the Israel delegation, who held that the Jordan authorities have no standing with regard to the Israel area on Scopus, or the communications like necessary between it and the rest of Israel, which are a U.N. responsibility.

The patient was finally brought down when the Sharon gathering was dispersed last Wednesday. Even then, the Jordanian delegate refused to allow the patient to leave the no-man's-land until he had been examined by a Jordan doctor as his case was not on the list of those originally scheduled to be relieved. The Israeli delegate said the case was given to the U.N. for their information only, and was not a matter of the Jordan authority.

When the Jordan patrols was brought to the attention of the senior Israel MAC delegate, he ordered all discussions with the Arabs on this point to be stopped immediately, and for the patient soon to be taken to hospital at once.

When this was done, the Arab officer had control of himself and dismissed the Israel doctor as the representative of the Hebrew University and Hadassah Hospital, whom he reportedly considered responsible, and threatened to "get even" with him.

"Falastin," the Old City daily, reported that the guard who relieved the first Jordanian sentry, wounded before he could be replaced by an Arab doctor.

Israel 'Equal But Separate' Under MEDO Scheme

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP). — If the U.S. opens negotiations with the Arab states and Turkey on Middle East defence, it will also talk with Israel on an equal but separate basis, Government circles said here today.

This concerns American plans to substitute the Middle East defence command proposal with MEDO, the Middle East Defence Organization. In MEDO the Arab states, Turkey and the Western nations would decide in mutual discussion what form of defence would be best for all nations in the area. This would replace the idea of a few Powers setting up a "Command."

When asked how Israel might fit into the proposed set-up one Government authority said that the U.S. would like to make some arrangement whereby both Israel and the Arab states could cooperate in the objectives of security for the area, but "without being in the same tent."

Bilateral Aid

The source said that the U.S. in the past has consulted with Israel on such matters on a "separate but equal basis," and the policy would be the same in this case. He said that if it came to the question of providing defence aid, the U.S. might be able to help Israel on a strictly bilateral basis, while helping the Arab nations within the framework of MEDO.

It was indicated that whatever the plan the U.S. would wish to maintain the balance of strength between Israel and her neighbours.

UNRWA Gives $11m. For Refugee Housing

The United Nations Relief Works Administration has allocated $11m. for refugee housing schemes in Jordan, the Arab News Agency reports.

The announcement follows a two-day conference between the UNRWA director, Mr. John Blandford, and Premier Tewfik Abul Huda.

MAC Delegate Denies Partition Reports

Reports that the Katana no-man's-land, near Jerusalem, is to be partitioned between Israel and Jordan were denied yesterday by Anwar Nusseibi, senior Jordan delegate to the Mixed Armistice Commission, "A-Difa," the Old City daily, reports. An announcement to this effect appeared in another Old City daily, "Falastin," on Thursday.

Nusseibi said he was strongly opposed to dividing any no-man's-land since it would bring Israel and Arab positions closer and cause more friction and incidents.

LEGION ABOLISHES TITLES

All aristocratic titles are to be abolished in the Arab Legion, according to an official announcement in Amman on Friday.

The announcement follows approval by the Regency Council of a recent Cabinet decision.

Najib Threatens Army Rule, Wafd Seeks Power

Britain and U.S. Consult on Persia

LONDON, Saturday (UP). — The British Foreign Office stated today that it is in close consultation with the U.S. Government on means of helping Iran avoid a complete economic collapse. It appears, however, that the two governments have not been able to agree so far on the methods to be adopted, according to informed sources.

The U.S. favours speedy measures and British concessions to tide Mossadegh over the present difficult period. The British, however, still demand a satisfactory solution of the oil question, since oil is the basis of the Iranian economy.

London and Washington agree that the situation is critical and that if allowed to drift it may lead to a Communist move to take over the government.

A Foreign Office spokesman declined to comment on reports of U.S. suggestions that Britain allow Persia to sell its oil in the world markets, and pay part of the proceeds to Britain as compensation. It is believed however that such a solution would be unacceptable to Britain.

It appears unlikely that Persia's offer to resume negotiations with the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company will be acceptable in its present form. The offer, announced on Friday, suggests that the A.I.O.C. may re-open negotiations with the Persian government under the terms of the Nationalization Law, under certain conditions.

These include the Company's prior payment to Persia of large sums which the Government claims due to it from royalties, and restitution of losses which Persia has suffered from the recent slow-down in oil production and from the British government's measures taken to prevent the sale of Persian oil.

Groups of homeless factory workers built over a large area of barren land outside Teheran today and assisted it put in building plots in a squatter's rights campaign.

Police drove them off when complaints by landlords.

MOSSADEGH, SENATE STILL DEADLOCKED

TEHERAN, Saturday (Reuter).—Dr. Mossadegh tonight reported the Senate's request for further explanation of his plans before continuing its discussion on his request for extraordinary "total" powers during the next six months. It has appointed a delegation of nine Senators to see the Premier this evening and discuss the matter.

Three Senators, including the Premier's son in law, Matin Daftari, spoke against giving the powers.

Bey Delays Signature Of Tunis Reforms

TUNIS, Saturday (Reuter). — The Bey of Tunis is believed to have complained about Resident General Count de Hauteclocque when he was visited by Jean Binoche, head of the North African Department of the French Foreign Ministry.

The Bey maintains his refusal to set his seal to the decrees introducing reforms until he has completed with Tunisian notables.

Iraq Presses For U.N. Morocco Debate

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — The Iraqi Government has asked that the Moroccan question be discussed at the General Assembly of the U.N.

In a letter to the Secretary General, the Iraqi Representative to the U.N., Mr. Awni Khalidy, claimed that the French promise to introduce reforms into the Moroccan administration had not materialized.

The letter complained that the French were fomenting disruption among the inhabitants, and refusing rights that more backward areas were already granted.

An attempt to put the Moroccan question on the agenda of the last General Assembly failed to gain sufficient votes.

Israel Exports To Italy Increase

ROME, Saturday (UP). — Israel's exports to Italy rose, while her purchases dropped sharply in recent months, according to official statistics for the first four months of 1952.

In this period, Italy imported from Israel goods valued at $1m. Hre as compared to $2m. Hre this year. Italy's exports to Israel during the first four months of 1951 were 1,300m. lire and for a similar period this year only 700m. lire.

Nahas: 'Purge' Foreign Troops

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — Tension between the Wafd leadership and the Maher-Najib coalition increased during the week-end. Mustapha Nahas issued a statement stressing the Wafd's aim to 'purge' the country of occupation forces and unite the Nile Valley, while Gen. Najib threatened to establish a military dictatorship if the 'clean up' did not go through.

Nahas declared in his statement that: "The Wafd is preparing its big part in liberating the country and uniting the Nile Valley for it is the nation's true representative."

The Wafd, he claimed, almost succeeded but for "wicked conspirators who burned Cairo and ousted it from power." "The Wafd will not deviate from its declared policy. We have drawn up a comprehensive programme of foreign and domestic policy."

While Nahas made what observers believed to be a bid for power, scores of Wafd members have demanded the dissolution of the party's executive and the election of a new one.

Senator Ahmed Hamaoui, one of the expelled members, has filed a case with the courts asking the Prosecutor General to investigate the Wafd's charges against him.

Najib stated that he saw no reason to proclaim a military dictatorship, "at present," but that it might become necessary if Egyptian political parties did not carry through a thorough "clean up" of public life.

(A.P. quoted Najib as saying that he has no faith in dictatorship and "will not seek the creation of any sort of dictatorship in Egypt.")

'Essential Preliminary'

Expressing his dissatisfaction with the purge so far, Najib said that it would be necessary as the "essential preliminary" to a return to honest and efficient parliamentary government.

Najib denied that any political parties or groups had any influence or connexion with the armed forces. A communique from G.H.Q. Cairo denied that Najib had ever belonged to any party or group.

The President of the newly-established Egyptian Regency Council, Prince Mohammed Abdel Moneim, was quite a candidate for the throne of Palestine, "Al Misri" reports.

"Prince Mohammed, 32, grandson of the Khedive Abbas Hilmi, is the only son of former Crown Prince Mohammed Ali. In 1934, great efforts were made in Egypt, and among Palestine Arab leaders, to crown him "King of Palestine".

In an interview with the "Daily Mail" earlier in the week Ali Maher stated that any future Anglo-Egyptian agreement should recognize the principle that British troops must eventually leave the Canal Zone.

He denied that he had nearly succeeded in reaching agreement with the British in March, but that Farouk "intervened and wrecked everything."

Najib Demands Police Overhaul

CAIRO, Saturday (UP). — General Najib today called for a general overhaul of the national police.

He also stressed the desirability of filling security posts, Ministry of the Interior positions and Provincial Governorships from the police force.

He proposed that pensionable age in the force should be 55 as in the armed forces.

Moslem Brotherhood Seeks Changes

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — Dr. Hassan Hodeibi, leader of the Moslem Brotherhood, last night assured foreigners that they are perfectly safe in Egypt. He claimed that the principles of Islamic justice applied to "friends and foes alike."

He said that the Brotherhood demanded a new constitution whose details should be worked out by a constituent assembly.

He called for a much stronger purge of the administration not only "to dismiss a number of officials but to eradicate all evil influences."

Ex-Queen Farida, divorced wife of Farouk, intends to claim guardianship of her three daughters, now in Capri, from the Sharia courts, on the grounds that they will be exposed to temptation as long as they stay with him.

Members of the diplomatic corps called at the Abdin Palace here today to congratulate the Regency Council on their assumption of the Royal Prerogative. The British, French, U.S. and Spanish Ambassadors were among the callers.

Arab States Call For Military Meeting

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — Secretary General of the Arab League, Abdul Rahman Azzam, announced today that invitations had been sent to the Arab Governments asking them to send delegations to the August 22 meeting which is to set a permanent Military Council of the League, under the League Security Pact.

The Arab states will not seek revenge on Israel, Azzam stated yesterday, according to ANA. In order to become a natural part of the Middle East, Israel must assimilate itself into this part of the world, otherwise it will die of itself. A "strange" part inside a body never remains for long. This operation can be achieved without war, Azzam stated.

Lebanon To Expel Naif

King Abdullah's second son, Emir Naif, who has been living in exile in Bagdad and Beirut since the coronation of King Talal a year ago, is to be expelled from the Lebanon, NEARS reports from Beirut.

The expulsion, of which the Lebanese Government informed Naif on Friday, was in response to a demand of the Jordan Government. A similar demand by Jordan three months ago was rejected by the Lebanon.

It will be recalled that Emir Naif's royal income was seriously cut several months ago after the Jordan Government charged him with plotting against the security of the State and with defaming the reputation of his elder brother, King Talal.

LEBANON ACCEPTS EDITORS' DEMANDS

The three-month Lebanese press boycott of Government news releases has resulted in the Government accepting the demands presented by the editors, the Arab News Agency reports from Beirut. During this period over 20 papers were suspended and their editors jailed.

A government spokesman announced that the Cabinet had agreed to re-draft the present press law so that the Government's right to suspend papers would be drastically curtailed.

ECONOMIC COUNCIL

The Economic Council is to clarify problems of control at its 12th meeting in Jerusalem at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Cairo Paper: Talal May Be Ousted

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — The Cairo newspaper "Akhbar El Yom" today reported from Beirut that the Jordan Regency Council might seek the abdication of King Talal in favour of his 17-year-old son Emir Hussein. The paper's Beirut correspondent said the King had "frequent fits."

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Social & Personal

Professor Ben Zion Dinaburg, Minister of Education and Culture, and Mr. Berl Locker, Co-Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, officially greeted 75 Jewish teachers from the U.S., England, and North Africa at a reception in the Ministry garden last night. The teachers are taking part in a summer course arranged by the Agency's Education Department.

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Brigadier-General A. Robert Ginsburgh, Public Relations Officer of the U.S. Air Force, left by L.A.I. for Rome on Friday, after a short private visit to Israel, during which he also had talks with Government officials and senior officers of the Israel Defence Forces.

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Dr. Helene Kagan, chairman of Wizo's Department of Child Care, has been appointed a member of the Board of Directors of the Hebrew University's Medical School.

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The Medical Women's Organization in Jerusalem, on the occasion of the Second World Congress of Jewish Physicians, is to hold a garden tea party for all women doctors from abroad and from Israel at Bet Shalom, Talbieh, in Jerusalem at six o'clock tomorrow.

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A reception for Dr. Charles M. [illegible], member of the Board of the American Fund for Israel Institutions, and a group of visiting teachers and businessmen from the U.S. was held by the Israel Committee of the Fund in Tel Aviv yesterday.

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Miss Hungith Rieger, of Jerusalem, has been awarded an Anglo-Jewish Association graduate scholarship to study at the London School of Economics. Miss Rieger majored in sociology at the Hebrew University.

EVA PERON GETS STATE FUNERAL

BUENOS AIRES, Saturday. — Flowers rained down from balconies to form a multi-coloured carpet along the Avenida de Mayo this morning as Eva Peron's coffin was taken on a gun-carriage from the Labour Ministry to the Congress building.

Draped in the Argentine War flag and the banner of the Peronista party, the coffin was drawn slowly through lines of steel helmeted troops by three files of workers dressed in white and black.

About 20,000 members of the armed forces rendered honours usually reserved for a President who dies in office.

The ceremony was the first stage of a two-day ceremony. The coffin will lie in the Congress building tonight and tomorrow. It will then be borne to the Labour Confederation headquarters, where it will remain until a mausoleum is built in the centre of the city.

In La Plata, the capital of Buenos Aires province, police used tear gas to disperse demonstrating university students. La Plata University had its name changed to "Eva Peron" last night.

The riots followed an incident when the black crepe, draping the entrance to the University's restaurant was torn down. The University Rector then ordered all students entering the restaurant to wear mourning.

Anglo-Argentine "meat for oil" negotiations have been resumed here. Normal functioning of the Government, interrupted by the death of Sra. Peron, seems to have resumed.

The talks follow the resumption of trade negotiations with Brazil, and the reaching of a new barter agreement with Czechoslovakia.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Meat, Mahane Yehuda, [illegible]. Hered, Rehov Jaffa, [illegible]. TEL AVIV: Magen David, 34 Allenby, [illegible]. Greenberg, 46 King George, [illegible]. [illegible] 1 Dizengoff Square, [illegible]. [illegible] 31 Ben Yehuda, [illegible]. [illegible] Ramat Gan: Herzl, [illegible]. HAIFA: Harofeh, 41 Hehalutz, 2277. Magen, Carmel, 17 German Colony, [illegible]. Kiryat Bialik: Bialik, 7230.

State Controller's Scrutiny Of Public Administration

By ECONOMICUS

MORE than half the defects and malpractices exposed in the first report of the State Controller have either been eliminated or are in process of being amended, it is stated in the second report covering the fiscal year 1950/51, which was released last week.

A perusal of this second report leaves no doubt that the remaining half is still sufficiently large, both in volume and character.

The new report covers 160 pages in typescript packed with succinct observations, systematically dealing with each department and its branches and describing improvements introduced, weak points and inadequate practices still prevailing, and making proposals for amendment. The Controller mentions offices which are open to criticism and omits those where he found nothing wrong.

In a general way, the Controller considers education as part of his task: to promote a sense of responsibility towards the public, to improve working methods, "to stigmatize waste wherever it is noticed, to preach economy, and to stress the need for integrity, impartiality, and efficiency in administration. He advocates concentration of all purchases for Government offices, the general application of the principle of public tenders, and the abolition of privileges sometimes accorded to staff members of commercial departments.

In accordance with a decision of the Finance Committee of the Knesset, a list of offices which had failed to submit their reports for the year ending March 31, 1951, was drawn up in October. However, when the Controller's report was completed, two statements were still lacking, viz. the final accounts of the Treasury, and the balance sheet of the food section in the Department of Agriculture. His observations on the 1949/50 accounts were submitted to the Minister of Finance and the Accountant General on October 14, but by December 31, 1951, the date of his report, no reply had yet been received.

The report includes a number of graphs, illustrating the structure of various departments. With one exception, these graphs in which a great amount of careful work has been invested, are too unwieldy (that of the Agriculture Ministry measures 100 by 28cm.). They cannot be read without a magnifying glass, and 3½ pages of explanations require too much of an effort. On the other hand, what is missing is a table showing the Estimates of the year under review, actual revenue and expenditure as far as available, and the number of officials in each department.

Deviation from Budget

In a considerable number of cases the Controller has found deviations from normal budgetary practice, notably when expenditure was authorized without indicating the corresponding covering provision, as for instance in a payment of IL.150,000 for completion of hospital buildings, in the grant of gratuities to families of deceased officials, or in expenses ranging from several hundred to IL.20,000 for celebrations, special salary agreements, and journeys of officials for professional training abroad.

Other remarks concern the Foreign Loans Department which started work in May 1949, but whose accounts had, by March 1950, not yet appeared on the books of the Treasury. The accountancy of foreign currency transactions is criticized, and so is the registration of securities held by the Treasury, such as shares and debentures of the Amidar and El-Al companies, and a variety of Government securities. In view of the increased work of the Accountant General, branch offices were opened at the Controller's suggestion in the Tiberias and Beersheba districts.

Arrears in Tax Collection

As in the preceding report, special attention is paid to the Income Tax Department. Surprise inspections were made at collection offices, a number of assessment files and the central card index were examined. It is gratifying that several new district and local offices have been opened, but the general state of affairs remains far from satisfactory. Despite the efforts of the head of the department, the number of employees, office space, and equipment are utterly inadequate, especially in Jerusalem, Petah Tikvah and Nahariya, whereas the overcrowding in the Tel Aviv offices has somewhat decreased. The proposed mechanisation has not yet been possible, "for objective and technical reasons," as the report puts it.

Another criticism is directed against the habit of some assessment officers not to indicate on what grounds they make their decisions. Mention is also made of cases where foreign experts were exempt from taxation, or where Government offices undertook to pay their income tax without, however, examining the Controller's query whether the respective amounts had actually been paid. [illegible]

Certain improvements were introduced in the Customs and Excise department, but [illegible]. Storage conditions also seem to be unsatisfactory. Perishable goods were found to have been in store since 1947 and 1948, and valuable machines were stored without sufficient protection. Other cases, to which the Controller draws attention, are that of the "Bevak" company, now in liquidation, which dealt with the sale of immigrants' goods, or the disappearance of confiscated timber, resulting in one case in a fine of IL.1,000 for the importer in question.

Technical irregularities in the administration of the luxury tax (where a superintendent was dismissed for arbitrary decisions) and of property taxes and stamp duties are also mentioned, as well as the disregard of new regulations on foreign currency payments to ships' crews, substantial losses caused through duplication in dealing with import licences, and the re-organization of accountancy in the Treasury branch offices at Rome, Paris, and Geneva.

(To be Continued)

Z.O.A. Clubs For Three Cities

The Zionist Organization of America Club in Israel is to establish three separate divisions — in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and Haifa — Mr. Isaac Carmel, the chairman, has announced.

The Tel Aviv division elected the following committee at a recent meeting: Messrs. Harry Schechter, Jacob Zichlinsky, Raymond Sussman, and H. B. Kalmanowitz.

The Jerusalem and Haifa divisions are to be organized during the coming month. All three units are to meet early in September. The Club, although not fully organized, has acted as host to many Z.O.A. members who visited Israel.

Jerusalem Cinemas

at 7 and 9 p.m.

ARMON: Symphonie Fantastique.
EDEN: Escape My Dust.
EDISON: Fearful City (2nd Week).
ORION: Inside the Walls of Folsom Prison.
STUDIO: Inspector General.
ZION: No Highway in the Sky.

REVIEW OF OPINION IN FRIDAY'S PRESS:

'Davar' Calls for Careful Study Of State Controller's Report

Commenting on the publication of the State Controller's Annual Report, "Davar" (Histadrut) says this document clearly shows the immense difficulties facing the State apparatus. The lack of experience and administrative tradition, of exact book-keeping, all these are reflected in the offices which deal with, assess, and collect taxes. Under these conditions the work of the State Controller is of particular importance.

Observance of the law is the product of generations of education, and the Government employee needs this as much as the citizen. The State Controller's proposal, therefore, that the administration should give reasons for its decisions is to be welcomed.

"Davar" says it must be expected that the Knesset's subcommittees will study details of the report, and it is hoped that the heads of the respective departments will not reject this "interference from outside." The report, however, must not become a source of sensations for a hungry press. This will not serve the State, and everyone should desist from exploiting in a cheap and harmful way the basic and important work by the State Controller.

Oil Illusions

Mr. Eliezer Livneh writes in "Ha'aretz" (Independent) on our oil policy. He warns against widespread illusions such as expecting a considerable income from oil soon. An average of 10 to 12 years have passed in other countries between the first oil surveys and full oil production — if there was oil. It should not be forgotten, moreover, that very large initial investments are needed — tens of millions of dollars — for the necessary geological surveys which cannot be done by us alone, although we must make sure that Israel capital will participate. Comparing the monopolies given by Rumania, Hungary, Albania and the Eastern Zone of Austria to the U.S.S.R. in exploiting oil fields in these countries, Mr. Livneh says the law proposed in Israel is much fairer than the agreement, for example, between Rumania and the Soviet Union.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) commenting on military administration in the Arab populated areas, complains that many Israel Arabs are suspected by the authorities of maintaining connections with persons in the Arab countries.

Recent attacks by Arab infiltrators at Tira in which five Israel Arabs were wounded, shows they [illegible] by Israel authorities [illegible] "second round." The paper asks whether the time has not yet come to change basically the official attitude towards the Arab minority.

Dr. Moshe Sneh, in the same paper, deals with the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, who were found guilty of spying for the Soviet Union in the U.S. and were condemned to death, and calls it a second Dreyfus trial.

Mr. Y. Sifter in "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) comments on the results of the Olympic games and says the Americans won because they were helped by partial judges. The various "American" points system, giving ten and not seven points to the victor, gave them an [illegible] advantage. The writer also emphasises the importance of Lenin, Stalin and Pavlov's work on conditioned reflexes in the development of Soviet sport.

The "Ha'aretz" cartoonist shows a civilian running after a Fire Brigade truck and shouting: "Wait a moment, I also wish to go to the Jewish Agency stores..."

French Youth In Israel For Summer

A group of 160 Jewish teenagers from France have arrived for a six-week visit sponsored by the Zionist Federation of France. They were welcomed by the Jewish National Fund Youth Department in Jerusalem last week.

Members of the group, as last year, are staying at summer camps in four kibbutzim: Nir Etzion, Ginegar, Kfar Usha and Tel Yosef.

More Persian Oil On Way to Denmark

COPENHAGEN, Saturday (Reuter). — More Persian oil is "on its way to Denmark" according to Signor Luigi Amenduni, who was reported earlier this year to have signed a contract for 280,000 tons of Persian oil.

It was also confirmed that Mme. Garaeolu, wife of the Chief of Ceremonial at the Shah's court, has arrived in Rome where she is to negotiate the purchase of a tanker.

JAILED.—Frank Carlson, one of 14 California Communists convicted of conspiracy, was jailed on Thursday for five years and fined $10,000—the maximum penalties.

Keren Hayesod Spent IL.68m. on Aliyah

A total of IL.68,042,000 was spent by the Keren Hayesod on immigration and absorption in the period from June 1948 to June 1952, the Fund announced last week. The sum includes IL.9,725,000 for immigration, IL.45,574,000 for absorption and IL.12,743,000 for youth and child immigration.

Order Nisi Against Four Gov't Offices

The High Court in Jerusalem on Thursday issued an order nisi against four Government offices asking them to state why a piece of machinery purchased before the multiple exchange rates came into effect should not be released without additional payment.

The Government departments concerned are the Controller of Foreign Currency, the official competent to release goods from customs, the Foreign Loans Department, and the Director of Customs and Excise.

Mr. Gussan, of Tel Aviv, said that he had been issued foreign currency to purchase a soldering machine which arrived only after the new exchange rates took effect. (Itim)

Carpet Design Competition

An international carpet design competition, open to designers, artists and art students in the Middle East, is being sponsored by the American Institute of Arts in Detroit.

The first prize is $1,000, with the second, third, and fourth prizes, $350, $150, and $100 respectively. A number of smaller awards are to be given.

The Institute hopes that the competition will stimulate new ideas in the field of carpet design while providing an opportunity for promising artists to employ their talents in a practical field.

Designs will be judged according to originality of design, colour harmony, and practicability. The Institute hopes also to correlate patterns in carpet-making with trends in modern taste in decoration.

Prize winners are to be announced in February, 1953. The competition closes on January 1, 1953. The best designs are to be exhibited by the Institute during March and April. Further information is available at the American Consulate-General in Jerusalem. (U.S.I.C.)

Shazar Reports On American Visit

More than 80 world Jewish leaders are expected to attend the Jewish Agency's "ideological conference" to be held in the capital next spring, an Agency spokesman reported at a press conference in Jerusalem last week.

Mr. Zalman Shazar of the Agency Executive, who was one of the originators of the plan to discuss the problems of modern Zionism, discussed the idea with Jewish scholars, writers and journalists, in North and South America during his recent visit there. He reported that committees are being formed to organize delegations to the conference.

Mr. Shazar also informed the Executive that despite difficult financial conditions in Argentina and Uruguay, the United Jewish Appeal is expected to raise 25 to 30 per cent more money this year in both countries.

The spokesman announced that the fire at the Agency lumber stores in Haifa had caused damage estimated at [illegible] and IL.[illegible]. All the material was insured for dollars, it was stated.

IL.8,500 Confiscated By Jordan Guards

Almost IL.8,500 was confiscated from the car of the Archbishop of Ethiopia last Wednesday afternoon at Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reports.

The driver and another person, who admitted giving the driver the money to take into Israel, absolved the Archbishop from all guilt.

At the Jordan check point, the car was halted and the Archbishop was asked whether he would permit a search. He readily agreed, and after much difficulty the driver succeeded in finding the keys to the trunk compartment where the money was found.

Israelis Attend Farm Course in U.S.

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA. — Delegates from Israel and 33 other nations in the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and Southeast Asia are represented at a six-week international conference on agricultural and cooperative credit at the University of California here.

The sessions, which opened on Monday, will be devoted to consideration of methods to increase farm output and income in these areas.

"The keynote of the conference," a University spokesman said, "will be to provide the opportunity for an exchange of ideas and information on the organization and functions of agricultural credit institutions and facilities, on the extent to which present facilities are adequate and on desirable methods of improving the services of rural credit in the respective countries."

The conference agenda calls for delegates to make field trips to study agricultural methods and processing, and marketing cooperatives nearby. After the sessions end on September 12, the visitors will spend three weeks touring other western and southern areas of the nation for further study of advanced agricultural methods.

Apart from Israel the following nations are participating: Afghanistan, Bolivia, Burma, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Indo-China, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Lebanon, Libya, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Syria, Thailand, Uruguay and Venezuela. (USIS)

Where to go

JERUSALEM
8-7: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, Romema. Bus 15. Feeding time 5-5 p.m.
9-1, 3-6: (tomorrow 10-1): Exhibitions: British Book Design, 1952. Jewish Medicine through the Ages—on the occasion of the 2nd World Congress of Jewish Physicians in Jerusalem. Sculpture by Marc Antokolsky. Exhibit of the month: "Dr. Ephraim Bueno", etching, 1647 (B. 278, second state) by Rembrandt Harmensz van Rijn, on loan from the Schocken Library, Jerusalem. Bezalel Museum.
9-1: Art Library Bezalel Museum.
9-4: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities. Also: Temporary exhibition—Recent acquisitions. 29 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.
11-1; 5-7: Exhibition of Children's Art. Israel Touring Club, Talbieh.
10-1; 4-7: Memorial Exhibition: Oils, Gouaches and Watercolours by Aharon Avni. Artists House.
TEL AVIV
9-1: Exhibition of oils, gouaches and drawings by Leo Kahn. Museum.
HAIFA
8-1.30: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue.
10-1; 4-6: Exhibitions of Sculptures by Hanna Orloff. Municipal Museum.
RAMAT GAN
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SECOND PROGRAMME

[illegible]

ARMY PROGRAMME: [illegible]

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ZICHRON YA'ACOV
WINE FESTIVAL
2 DAYS
AUGUST 12
70th ANNIVERSARY
10 a.m.— Memorial Ceremony in the presence of the Acting President.
11 a.m.— Opening of the Exhibitions: a) Paintings and Sculptures b) Agricultural Exhibition
5.30 p.m.— Gathering devoted to the 70th Anniversary in the presence of the Prime Minister, Ministers and other leading personalities.
9 p.m.— "Descending the Mountain" by Arieh Samsonov. Music — M. Lavri. Kol Yisrael choir and Orchestra. Decors — Dr. P. Levi. "Conquest of the Sea & Desert" Folk dance by the Sdot Yam dancing group. Directed by T. Zimbel.
11 p.m.— Onwards—Dancing in the streets
AUGUST 13
HARVEST FESTIVAL
12 noon—3 p.m. Play — "Turandot" performed by Shefiah dramatic group. Produced by Mrs. Ya'acov. Shefiah Orchestra conducted by M. Jacobson.
5.30 p.m.— Wine and Vine Carnival, produced by Dr. P. Levi. Directed by P. Peisig.
8 p.m.— Folk Dances — "The Daughters of Shilo," performed by Zichron youth. Directed by T. Zimbel. Choir.
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Haifa Port	—	—	—	—
Safureya	40	21	38	20
Tel Aviv	34	23	32	23
Lydda Airport	34	17	33	16
Jerusalem	27	12	28	13
Beersheba	41	15	31	15

*A) Highest at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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HADERA'S BUDGET for 1952-53 was passed by the Municipality on Thursday and amounts to IL.393,000, twice as large as last year's budget.

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CHARGED WITH practising medicine without a licence since the beginning of the year, Capt. Paul Shubrow was remanded for five days in the Haifa Magistrate's Court on Friday. He was given bail.

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FOUR PERSONS were injured on Friday when most of the residents of Bir Hadaya, near Jerusalem, took sides in an old dispute between two families, police reports. Police restored order only after more than 10 persons were detained.

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THE YUVAL Coal pipe factory at Migdal Ascalon is planning to start production of 6in. 2in. and 20-inch pipes, in addition to their present range of larger sizes.

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THE TEL AVIV Museum is to be closed until further notice owing to repairs.

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A MEMORIAL House, containing an archives, library and museum is to be established in Jerusalem by former residents of Vilna.

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MORE THAN 20,000 youths this summer were at the camps established jointly by the Ministry of Social Welfare and the Ministry of Education. The camps are closing today.

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A SOREL Beech clock, Shimon Ozbrek, 59, of Tel Aviv, and two local businessmen, Yosef Gamm, 54, and Zvi Shahar, 46, were fined a total of IL.1,000 by Magistrate Or Friday on charges of receiving large quantities of cement under false pretences. The accused had allegedly received cement for a fictitious tile factory.

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THIEVES BROKE into the office of Hanaharon, M. Rabbi Nardaei, on Friday night and stole IL.1,000, police reported yesterday. They forced the safe with diverted implements.

KIRYAT ELIEZER OPENS OFFICIALLY

HAIFA, Saturday. — The completion of Kiryat Eliezer, consisting of 600 apartments for veteran Histadrut members and 116 for permanent Army personnel, was celebrated at the Housing Development last night.

Construction began in March, 1950 on the site formerly known as Kiryat Eliahu and now named after the late Deputy Prime Minister. The first families moved in in July, 1951 and the last a year later. Solel Boneh were contractors for the project built by the Histadrut Shikun company.

Mayor Abba Khoushy, Mr. Y. Almogi, Secretary of the Haifa Labour Council and Mr. S. Perlman, secretary of the Builder Workers' Union, were among those present at the celebration.

Doctors' Congress Opens Tonight

Jerusalem POST Reporter

This evening the Second World Congress of Jewish Physicians will be officially inaugurated at the Edison Cinema in Jerusalem by the Acting Mayor, Mr. E. Elisahar, and the heads of the medical organizations in Israel. Over the week-end, the 270 doctors from abroad participating in the five-day Congress assembled in Jerusalem and were presented with a brochure containing summaries of the lectures to be heard, translated into English, Hebrew and French.

Last night, the Artists' House was filled with workmen busily putting the final touches to the combined exhibition of displays by Hadassah, Kupat Holim, the Ministry of Health, the Anti-Tuberculosis League and the Israel Medical Association, — the latter having organized this joint parade of medical progress in Israel.

120 Medical Students Abroad to Return

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday (Ilim). — Of the 200 Israel students now studying medicine at Universities in Switzerland, Italy and France, 120 are to return to Israel within the next two months to complete their education at the Hebrew University, Dr. M. Prives, of the Ministry of Education, said here yesterday, upon his return by Air France.

Dr. Prives had been sent by the Ministry to investigate the necessity for the continued education abroad of Israel students, now that Medical School facilities were provided by the University. He found that only some 80 students in the countries he visited should remain abroad. They will receive foreign currency.

Zichron Ready For Wine, Vine Festival

HADERA, Saturday. — Final preparations are now being made for the Wine and Vine Festival to be held at Zichron Ya'acov on Tuesday and Wednesday. The amphitheatre is now ready, and the main street is decorated with flags and greenery.

Special trains will leave from Zichron station at midnight on both days, to take visitors back to Haifa and Tel Aviv.

Orders for 'Lakol' Furniture Given

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Orders for the manufacture of "Lakol" furniture are being issued by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry following the High Court's cancellation of the order nisi issued against the Ministry, a Ministry spokesman said in Jerusalem on Friday.

The orders are for 2,000 three-door wardrobes, 1,000 two-door wardrobes, 2,000 expandable tables, 2,000 ordinary tables, 8,000 chairs, and 8,000 stools.

The spokesman also said negotiations are being conducted with the Carpenters' Association regarding the manufacture of non-"Lakol" furniture from wood imported as non-payment imports. The furniture will be buffets, sofa-beds, and book shelves, items not manufactured under the tender system.

Today the Ministry is to publish tenders for 8,000 desks and 10,000 chairs for schools.

Seminary Decision To Be Fought

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — The recent decision of the Minister of Education, Prof. Hanoch Dinaburg, to turn the General Trend Teachers Seminary in Bet Hakerem into a senior Government Teachers Training College, on the basis of unified education and attached to the Hebrew University, is to be fought a public and legal campaign, the press was told here yesterday.

Mrs. Shoshana Persitz, General Zionist M.K., pointed out that the Seminary had been in existence for the past 13 years and should not be used for "any experimental purposes" which had not yet been tested. She said that the Minister's plan called for a three-year course. At the end of this period the student teachers would not go to elementary schools, but would choose high schools or jobs outside the teaching profession.

The General Zionists, she said, were not opposed to unified education, but thought that the change-over should not be at the expense of the General Trend.

Miss A. Raziel-Naor, M.E. (Mapai), said that she had always regarded Trend education as bad. The Labour Inspectorate had grown, she said, as a result of administrative pressure in many immigrant centres.

Mr. D. Levin, chairman of the Teacher's Association, said that the attachment of Teachers Training Colleges to Universities had been successful in the U.S., but he thought it premature here at the moment, as the University already had a shortage of lecturers and professors in its School of Education.

Arab Teachers Meet At Taibe Parley

NATHANYA, Saturday. — A regional conference of Arab teachers from schools in the "Little Triangle" and the south was held in Taibe yesterday and was attended by about 100 teachers. The meeting, presided over by Mr. Jabur Abud, secretary of the Arab Teachers Union, discussed wages and grading, and the payment of pensions to Mandatory government employees.

Similar regional conferences have been held in Acre, Rama and Nazareth.

About 700 Arab teachers are now employed in 100 schools throughout the country. Fifteen per cent of them are women, mostly Christians.

BAT YAM TO ISSUE SCHOOL BONDS

BAT YAM, Saturday (ITIM). — The Bat Yam Local Council is to issue 4,000 ten-pound bonds by the end of this month to parents of children studying at local schools, the Council decided last week. The funds are to be used to build schools and kindergartens.

The Council also decided to restrict the use of water for irrigation puposes to between six and eight in the evening daily, owing to the shortage of water recently experienced here.

'Triangle' Villages Ask for Guards

NATHANYA, Saturday. — Residents of Taiba village in the "Little Triangle" have appealed to the Military Governor for the appointment of armed watchmen to guard against marauders.

The villagers complain that many incidents have been reported in recent weeks at Taiba and at neighbouring Tira.

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DDT FREE IN HAIFA

HAIFA, Saturday.—The Municipality's anti-mosquito campaign advertised in the press and on Haifa radio hardly resulted in clients when two Piper cub planes sprayed oil bodies on the Carmel here on Friday afternoon. The bodies against the breeding of Lakes Bay Kishon, Haifa's chief nuisance, who urged residents to get DDT against the mosquitoes which now swarm the city, offered "free of charge" at five stations as of tomorrow.

The next day—January the 29th, Haifa Municipality helps you to help yourself. The reward is sweet sleep," the bodies read.

300 Immigrants Come in Galilah

Jerusalem POST Bureau

HAIFA, Saturday. — Nearly 300 immigrants from North Africa and 236 other passengers, disembarked from the s.s. Galilah here yesterday morning. The ship arrived from Marseille on Thursday night.

Among the arrivals were 187 singers for the Hazamir choir festival from Britain, France, and Italy, and 37 from Yugoslavia. Four doctors from Yugoslavia also arrived to take part in the Medical Congress in Jerusalem. Another 60 doctors for the Congress from Europe are due in the s.s. Kedmah tomorrow.

The singers were welcomed and served sandwiches and cold drinks in the passengers' salon by members of women's organizations, the Municipality, and the Tourist Office, and later left in special buses.

The Galilah passengers complained of overcrowding and heat on the ship. All passengers, including the tourists, were sprayed with D.D.T. on leaving the vessel. Usually, only immigrants are sprayed.

The s.s. Galilah will leave again for Marseille and Tripoli on Sunday to bring some 300 immigrants from Tripoli. A group of about 25 immigrants from Tripoli who have decided to leave the country have will sail in the ship. As they hold passports issued by the former Government there, which may not be recognized by the present authorities, the Shamir company insisted they buy return tickets. In case they are refused permission to land Tripoli.

Hazamir Heads Ask For Ships' Probe

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The organizing committee of the Hazamir Festival of Jewish Choirs has sent a message to the Minister of Commerce and Industry, asking him to appoint a committee to investigate complaints of choir members who arrived in the s.s. Negbah and s.s. Galila against conditions aboard ship.

The committee pointed out that the opportunity should be taken while the visitors are present to investigate complaints which might adversely affect the movement of tourists to Israel aboard Israel vessels.

German Woman Does Not Like Israel

HAIFA, Saturday. — A non-Jewish woman of German nationality was among the arrivals in the s.s. Galilah here yesterday. She told police that she had received her immigrant's visa by mistake through the Joint Distribution Committee in Germany and that she came only as a tourist.

She had not realised that there were so many Jews in this country nor did she like the country from what she had seen from ship-board. She asked to be allowed to stay on board ship and return home in it.

When she was told that she needed a ticket, she burst into tears and said she only had fifty dollars which was not enough. Finally she was advised to cable her solicitor to buy her the ticket.

She accepted this advice and said she would cable at once "in German, of course."

Woman Dies After Fall from Roof

ACRE, Saturday. — Clara Goldstein, 28, of the Old City, died after falling from the roof of her home this morning. She lost her balance while hanging out the washing. She was taken to Naharlya Hospital and died during an operation.

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Value of U.S. Dollar Drops To New Low as C-o-L Rises

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter). — The purchasing power of the American dollar at home plummeted in a record-breaking low in June as living costs advanced one-tenth of one per cent in the month ended June 15, the National Industrial Conferences Board reported yesterday.

The Dollar could buy only 55.3 cents worth of goods and services in June compared with 100 cents worth in January 10, 1939. The June figures were the dollar's lowest value in the history of Board's consumers price index.

Increases in the cost of food, medical care, transport and recreation forces the Board's index up despite continued decreases in the price of clothing and house furnishings.

Leading Democratic and Republican members of Congress, enjoying the lull before the Presidential election campaign opens in September 3, reacted coldly yesterday to President Truman's statement that he was considering calling a special session of Congress to deal with rising prices and inflation.

Democrat Senator Mahoney, chairman of Senate House Economic Committee, told a reporter he thought such action at this time would be futile.

There were indications that Mr. Truman might discuss this issue with Governor Stevenson, of Illinois, Democratic Presidential candidate when the Governor confers with the President and his Cabinet on Tuesday.

Republicans have made it clear they would use the forum of a special session to launch all-out attacks on the President's Democratic nominee.

WHITE SUPREMACY PLACARDS PROBED

Placards were found on Jerusalem hoardings last week calling for "racial discrimination" and "white supremacy."

Police believe the placards, which were typed, are the work of one person and not an organized group. They are investigating the source of paper used and fingerprints found on the placards.

On Friday night two 15-year-olds were caught in the Mea Shearim quarter writing "Answer to the white race" on the walls. The boys—both Ashkenazim—were released on bond after they explained that the "white supremacy" slogan had caused them to lose their tempers. (ITIM)

'Arabs Saw America Before Columbus'

JOHANNESBURG, Saturday (UP). — Arabs discovered America 500 years before Christian Dr. Ishyre Hamilton, professor of geology at Witwatersrand University, said today.

He bases his claim on the discovery of remains age of Mayan Hamitic skulls in the Rio Grande in America. Other skulls were found on the Solomon Islands.

The recent evidence of Mayan origin Durban Indians discovered by Columbus were eleven left by their Arab ancestors, he said.

Father Charged With Death of Son

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The preliminary hearing against Aharon Plonski, a 49-year-old blacksmith of Petah Tikva who is charged with the murder of his nine-year-old son, Moshe, last July 9 opened here yesterday.

According to the police, the boy, on the day of his death, had gone swimming in an irrigation pool in an orange grove near Petah Tikva, where he had eaten some unripe grapes. He had returned home to his mother, who is separated from her husband, with a stomach ache. Later in the day the father had allegedly given the boy the pot poison that was found in the boy's stomach in a post-mortem examination.

Plonski separated from his wife since he alleged that the boy was not his. This was the point which had been a subject of numerous violent quarrels between the couple.

Elath Cook Remanded On Murder Charge

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Abdul Ostromanowiez, 42, who is charged with the murder of his neighbour, Mendo Salomon, 34, last Thursday evening, was yesterday remanded in custody for 15 days by a local Magistrate.

According to the police, the alleged murderer is employed as a cook in Elath. He had a room on the east of the house at 62 Herbert Samuel Quay here in which in his absence an unnamed girl friend lived.

On Thursday night Ostromanowiez, home from Elath, accused Salomon of interfering with his friend by not allowing her to hang wash on the roof between their rooms. A fight ensued during which the accused lifted his victim and threw him over the parapet. Salomon was killed instantly.

DUKE SICK.—The Duke of Windsor was reported yesterday to be ill from a "gastric disturbance" in a Montecatini, Italy hotel.

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Hope Held Out To Tourists in Spain

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Tuesday who left their last night for Spain on an overcrowded train have today to board their ship over to the Spanish Costa Brava department for Barcelona.

But Monsieur de Brouke says that the Spanish Government is cooperating by transferring shipping to Spain's embarkation ports for the tourists. Spain is also chartering foreign vessels to help out the situation.

Monsieur de Brouke says that he has been assured that the tourists will be able to keep it on to Spain.

Monsieur de Brouke says that charges were made that the officials refuse to return the money and have a thing on the question of their return.

Paris Communists Released Till Trial

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — The last two of the Communists charged last May with plotting against the internal safety of the state were released on "unprovisional liberty" here today.

They were Raymond Gayraud, a technician in the national aeronautical research office, who is said to have handed out the iron placards used as "battle axes" by the demonstrators, and Rene Cullard, alleged to have helped organize the Place de la Bastille demonstration that ended in a riot.

All 163 are still charged, but police preparation of the cases against them is expected to take several months. They are unlikely to come up for trial before the end of 1952. Gayraud has lost his Government job.

Provisional liberty, without bail, is granted when a Magistrate decides that "the search for the facts does not require the detention of the accused by the police."

J'lem Coalition Hit At Public Meeting

Mr. Reuven Shari, Mapai M.K., and Jerusalem city councillor, blasted Jerusalem's Right-wing coalition at a crowded meeting yesterday in Histadrut Hall, Jerusalem. He blamed the "cabal" for reducing the capital's finances to chaos and disorder.

Mr. Shari recalled that the present coalition had inherited a clean record and balanced accounts from the previous council, despite the abnormal conditions then prevailing.

Mr. Y. Mizrahi, a Hitzdrut Member of the Council, also castigated the behaviour of the Orthodox Bloc and the irresponsibility of incurring debts without ensuring an increase in taxation to bear the brunt.

Mr. Shari then disclosed that 4,000 rooms belonging to institutions and Government offices in Jerusalem were freed from tax thus putting the burden on residents.

SHAVE.—Thirty prisoners on hunger strike in Bikanir (Rajasthan) jail yesterday in protest against the Hindus shaving off of their moustaches. The jail superintendent last week issued this order to stop the prisoners "arrogantly twisting their moustaches while shaving the prison authorities."

MIGDAL ASCALON VOTES TODAY

REHOVOT, Saturday. — The 4,500 persons eligible to vote for the first elected local Labour Council (of Migdal Ascalon go to the polls tomorrow. A 17-man labour body will be chosen. The four contesting lists are Mapai, Mapam, Haoved Hazioni and La'Achdut Ha'Avoda.

One of the seven polling stations opened at nightfall tonight, to enable voters who will be out of town tomorrow to cast their ballot.

George Jessel Coming Here for Visit

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter). — Mr. George Jessel, film producer and comedian, left New York yesterday by the liner United States for a fact finding mission to Europe and Israel to prepare him for an extensive speaking tour on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal campaign in the autumn.

Mr. Jessel will spend a week in Israel to learn the state's economic needs and will play the lead in a documentary film to raise funds.

JAPAN PAPER CHARGES U.S. OFFICERS

TOKYO, Saturday (UP). — The influential Japanese newspaper, "Yomiuri," charged today that U.S. officers on two occasions had removed a total of $2.8m. in diamonds and platinum from custody of Japanese officials during the occupation.

The paper based its story on a report made to the Diet Committee investigating the alleged disappearance from the Bank of Japan's vaults. Bank officials, however, denied that any of the treasure is missing.

STABBED DURING QUARREL

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Following a neighbour's quarrel Aharon Pinkas Karbasi, 27, was reportedly stabbed by Chai Aharon, 31 in the Hatikva quarter here yesterday. Aharon who was severely injured was taken to Jaffa General Hospital while the suspect was detained and held without bond.

EXPERT. — The International Organization announced on Friday that it will send a job analysis expert to Israel to help the Government make "better use of manpower resources." The expert, Mr. John Francis Jarosch of New York, will leave Geneva on August 15 for a six months' stay in Israel.

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U.K. Atom Test On Lonely Isles

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Saturday (Reuter). — All ships need special permits to enter the area round the Monte Bello Islands where Britain is to make her first atomic weapon test, the press said last night. The Navy will sanction to issue permits almost up to the date of the first explosion, the reports add.

A Navy announcement that an area of 50,000 sq. kms., encircling the lonely islands has been declared "dangerous to ships and planes until further notice" suggests the test will be made soon.

MINISTERS LEAVE HONOLULU

HONOLULU, Saturday (Reuter). — The Foreign Ministers of Australia, New Zealand, and the U.S. left here on Thursday after the Pacific Defence Council meeting.

According to well informed circles the position of Japan was thoroughly discussed, and all three Ministers agreed that the re-arming of Japan to restore the balance of power in East Asia was an unavoidable calculated risk but one which needed watching closely in the next five to ten years.

It is believed that the U.S. will continue to limit Japanese re-armament to defensive weapons.

'Iron Man May Help Lift Iron Curtain'

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer suggested yesterday that the Czechoslovak distance runner Emil Zatopek, "iron-man" of the Helsinki Olympics, and his wife should be invited to visit the United States as one way of raising the iron curtain.

Mr. Sawyer, in a letter to Mr. Avery Brundage, President of the U.S. Olympic Association, said, "If you could lift the iron curtain enough to bring this man and his wife over here it might be the beginning of a happy new programme for mankind. It might be the first step toward a permanent peace. Who knows?"

ESCAPE.—A young American, John Hvorra interviewed as a spy in Czechoslovakia is officially reported to have escaped.

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Cables in Brief

SHANGHAI TWINS. — A Brunswick Canton-ard, Mississippi mother gave birth to Siamese twins on Thursday night. They are joined at the head and were expected to be in "good condition" yesterday.

KIDNAPPERS.—A West Berlin court has sentenced two East Germans to seven and half years' jail for attempted kidnapping, quoting previous heavy terms and breach of the law by the protection of personal freedom.

RAILWAYS.—Four Railway Unions yesterday announced a strike against the New York Central Line East of Buffalo from Monday. They are asking higher wages and improved conditions.

BELGRADE. — Some 1,500 Moscow Medical pilgrims — some on foot — left Constance, the cradle of the second journey of the Faithful to Mecca.

VISIT.—Belgrade Radio reported last night that the Mayor and Governor of Istanbul and his wife, arrived in Belgrade on Thursday night as the guests of the Municipality.

TOUR.—The British Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Sir Alvary Gascoigne left Moscow on Friday on a 10-day 4,000 km. tour of Southern Russia accompanied by his wife and a party of Embassy officials. The plan is to visit the Ukraine, the Caucasus Mountains and the newly completed Volga-Don canal.

TOUR.—British Air Minister Lord de Lisle and Dudley is to make a tour of Royal Air Force units in the Middle East. His visit will cover Malta, the Canal Zone, Cyprus, Jordan, Iraq, the Persian Gulf and Aden.

MEAT.—Britain's meat rations will be increased overnight to 2ch. 2d. a week, the Food Ministry announced on Friday night.

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THE arrival of so many physicians from abroad for the Jewish Medical Congress opening tonight is one of the many signs of the interest which professional men have in Israel and of their desire to help their local colleagues in attacking the numerous medical and social problems which face this country. There is no doubt that a similar manifestation of sympathy would be readily evoked from other professions, such as engineers, architects and agricultural scientists.

THE MEDICAL CONGRESS

Indeed Israel has recently welcomed an international gathering of some of the world's leading experts on problems relating to deserts, and no doubt the Government has benefited considerably from their advice. It is barely a year since we had the benefit of an extended visit from the Unitarian-sponsored delegation of distinguished authorities in almost every field of medicine and hygiene which enthusiastically applied itself to local problems. The W.H.O., too, is mindful of our needs and will shortly send us two distinguished experts in public health.

It is only too obvious that a young and small country like Israel which has stood the shock of two wars, experienced the terrible agony of being helpless to avert the extermination of six million Jews in Europe, lived through a long period of suspense on other scores, and doubled its population in four years, has been in no position to make outstanding medical contributions, which nowadays require ample economic support and a reasonable amount of freedom from extraneous anxiety. The medical profession in Israel, notwithstanding some individual contributions of considerable merit, is well aware of the fact that it has not too much to offer to colleagues from abroad in the way of medical instruction. Indeed, our local medical authorities very wisely avail themselves of every opportunity of sending young men to America and England for post-graduate studies.

The country has everything to gain from the visits of experts in every field of medicine and hygiene, and particularly so at the present time, when medical institutions in the country are in the process of reorganization and extension in order to attempt to meet the ever increasing demands of the local population.

In extending hospitality to our medical visitors from abroad, the country as a whole, as well as the medical profession, wishes to express its gratitude for this generous manifestation of practical sympathy.

PESSIMISTS must be upset that Israel has at last had a glut of something useful: a superfluity of flies or locusts, a tidal wave of mice, or a country-wide supervention of dust would have pleased those long-faced street-corner gossips no end. But when tomatoes become freely available, they must feel that a prime source of useful grousing has been spirited away from them. And how comes it that this red globose fruit has managed to outwit the prophets of doom? Well, every schoolchild knows that the tomato was once called the love-apple. (We moderns don't like specific associations of that kind in our food; we are all repressed and mention of the word 'love' in front of the children might precipitate a domestic crisis.)

LOVE SURPLUS

From its name of love-apple came its secondary function, that of whirling through the air, over-ripe, at political meetings: a speaker could gauge the 'love' of his own followers by the number of tomatoes thrown by his opponents. Our fondness of political expression was due for elimination of some kind, as our speakers have mostly been so affected by the heat that they only speak to microphones and journalists. It is not the fault of the Spirit of Love if the assumption she has provided is thrown into the cooking-pots instead, and has given the world's short-jacketed writers of cookery articles a veritable love-feast.

THE WEEK IN THE KNESSET

STRAIN OF LONG SESSIONS

By GERDA LUFT

DURING the second half of the debate on the Development Budget the hall was almost empty as it often is during ten-hour debates. Some members complain that anyway Knesset sessions were too long, and that it is impossible to keep interest alive during a discussion which continues for several days. They argue further that a longer recess would enable the Government to catch up on urgent work which is continually interrupted because Ministers are forced to attend sessions of the House. A longer recess, it is said, might eventually enable the Government to plan ahead for a whole session and thus put an end to the present state of affairs which forces the Knesset to mark time until certain bills are tabled, then afterwards to rush things in order to finish the most urgent work.

It is, however, doubtful whether longer recesses would remedy matters, and anyway the Knesset has only recently adopted a rule which fixes the duration of the winter and summer sessions. Things would be made easier for the Government if top officials could delegate some of their powers to permanent secretaries who could take their place in the Knesset. This proposal has been made more than once, but has until now not taken on practical shape.

Development Plan

When the IL.115m. Development Budget was passed to the Finance Committee late Tuesday night it had become clear to everybody that the House had not dealt so much with a budget proposal as with some sort of development plan. This was due to the lack of detail in expenditure and vagueness as to income. The Finance Committee will therefore have much wider scope for its work on the development estimates than it has with ordinary budget proposals. It is to be hoped that it will use its opportunity and present the Knesset at the third reading with the detailed proposals. Otherwise budgeting of the Knesset will become more vague than will be suitable for a second regime of expenditure.

Many had hoped that the debate on the Development Budget would give the Government an opportunity to sketch economic trends during the last five months since the introduction of the three dollar-rates. This, however, was not done. The opposition made still another attempt to press its grievances, and the members of the Coalition did their utmost to defend Government policy. This in itself caused much repetition of arguments, but some new facts and figures emerged nevertheless.

Dr. Joseph dealt with achievements and difficulties of industry and disclosed some new figures. The plans of the Ministry of Agriculture were laid before the House by Mr. Ephrati, and the Minister of Finance hinted in his winding up speech at some form of direction of labour in order to force people into agriculture. Mr. Uri, of Nahalal, preached against the waste of good soil which should be used for agriculture but is taken up by buildings and fish ponds; and Mr. David Hacohen protested against the erection of ornate houses for Army officers at a time when we have not enough funds for the most urgent tasks. These examples show that despite lack of concentration on the central issues a number of important points were touched.

It is obvious, on the other hand that many members still fail to understand the proper meaning of development. The demand of Mrs. Persitz to use part of the Development Budget for education is a case in point. If the meaning of a word is stretched unduly it must loose its contents. This is the more to be regretted as development must play an ever increasing role once the German reparations begin to arrive; and their proper use which was promised by the Minister of Finance—if only in general terms — will depend largely on a proper and rigid understanding of the notion of development.

Toubi Case

The Knesset committee dealt this week with the exclusion of Mr. Tewfik Toubi, one of the Communist members, from two sittings of the House as a sequel to an incident which took place some weeks before. In this connection a strange case was discussed which has crept into Knesset proceedings in the last months. Whenever one of the members uses an expression which is censored by the Speaker or it is "deleted from the protocol." This is to be taken literally. A stenographic report in stencil is turned out every day, but the printed minutes of the Knesset appear only at certain intervals. Sentences or expressions "deleted from the protocol" are not included in the official minutes. Obviously this procedure must make the official protocol incoherent in the historical sense. What is more, certain developments must be unintelligible to the reader of a protocol if the terms or sentences which raise the objection of the Speaker are excluded.

In the case of Tewfik Toubi it was even pointed out during the Committee discussion that the utterances which caused the punishment were not to be found in the protocol and that therefore there was no "written evidence" for the case. The incident should make it clear that the practice of "deleting from the protocol" opens the door for strange misrepresentations in the minutes and that it should be abandoned. There is a world of difference between the demand by the Speaker from an offending member to retract such apologies and making changes in a protocol. Everything should be done to make sure of proper style and behaviour in the House, but nothing should be done to change the minutes, which are of value only if they contain the speeches unrefined.

Readers' Letters

NEGBAH CONDITIONS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—With reference to your report of the complaints of the passengers in the s.s. Negbah, it was unfair and uncalled for to complain about dirt aboard the ship. Not once was the ship neglected by her crew members, who had to work 17-18 hours daily to comply with the heavy demands of the ship's routine.

However, owing to the passengers' sympathy, understanding and general attitude towards us, it was made easy and even a pleasure for us to do our work, which is highly esteemed and well known by all travellers in Shoham ships.

It is the crew's unanimous opinion that the entire fault lies with Mr. Matalon, representative of Patra, who had beforehand clear knowledge about the possibilities of arranging an exaggeratedly large number of passengers, and therefore, through overcrowding, created the ill feeling and disappointment among the passengers.

Very truly yours,
LUTZ BAUER,
Steward, s.s. Negbah
Haifa, August 7.

DIESEL TRAINS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Having followed the announcements on "Diesel Trains" for a couple of years I find that I can no longer contain my disapproval at the incompetence revealed by these news items (your issue August 1). I have not kept all the clippings concerned, but the tenor was more or less on the radical improvement of the coastal run to be effected by the magic diesels.

Seen through sober glasses, the slow progress of trains and rail travel in general seems to be due to:

a) The clumsy semaphoring and switching system which, together with the never-ceasing track repairs, causes many unnecessary stops and slow-downs for safety's sake. A single-track line, the official scapegoat, need not be an inefficient one. Some important main lines in Europe are run on a single track, handling many times the traffic volume attempted here. Trains, of course, must have absolute precedence at level-crossings and through-stations and the passage of oppositely moving units over the line sectors must be properly timed.

b) Unrealistic planning: Anyone experienced in railway affairs could have predicted the fiasco which has since been tacitly admitted by part-reversal to Tel Aviv Old. Instead of embarking on the Tel Aviv-Haderа scheme the country's immediate needs would have been better served by linking Tel Aviv Old to the Petah Tikva branch to shortcut the Lydda switch-back. Even more indefensible is the tearing up of the Jaffa extension, instead of taking it right down to the port, as any Administration really bent on reducing national haulage costs would have done.

c) The inadequacy of the tracks, enforcing low maximum speeds. These are, however, certainly higher than the quoted 45 kilometres per hour, as I have often raced trains at 60 km in an automobile. Given smarter handling and stricter safety discipline the Tel Aviv-Haifa run could be made in quite acceptable times.

d) The shortage of rolling stock, which will not be improved by the fanciest of locomotives unless the tracks permit very much higher speeds than at present.

Now where do the expensive diesels come in? At 85 tons they are no lighter than our locomotives; with their low centre of gravity, due to the lowslung traction motors, diesels are if anything harder on the tracks than steamers, and I fail to see how 60 kilometres per hour will be exceeded without straining the tracks — to say nothing of the collision hazard due to sloppy signalling. The maintenance of the diesels, each of which constitutes an electric locomotive complete with its own power station, will certainly prove an exacting demand of our indifferent staffs. Have our planners acquired a stock of essential spares, such as switchgear and valves? Diesels are sensitive, and a minor breakdown might mean a layoff until the part has been ordered, paid for in dollars and delivered — if available.

Yours etc.,
E. BRAILOWSKY
Tel Aviv, August 2

DISTURBING NOISES

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Those of us who either live or work near the Mograbi Theatre are greatly relieved that the "Mif'al Hapayis" campaign has come to end. We hope that for some time to come we will not have to listen to the shrieking, piercing voice whose duty it was to convince listeners (through a loudspeaker) that they will win the big prize.

It seems rather strange that a Municipality which is interested in banning all superfluous noises in the streets of Tel Aviv should have permitted this almost unbearable racket.

I think that the people have a right to demand that such practices should be stopped once and for all.

Yours etc.,
IGNATZ FUERST
Tel Aviv.

MUSICAL DIARY

THE Y.M.C.A.'s music department presented Dr. Edith Gerson-Kiwi in an interesting illustrated lecture (in Hebrew and English) on "Wedding Customs, Dances and Songs of Middle East Communities" on Thursday. The noted musicologist tried to open the folkloristic and cultural background of these wedding ceremonies, bringing around all the magic paraphernalia of the successive rituals, with songs and dances as their main vehicle. Her examples from the Persian and Bukharan, the Greek-Sephardic, Babylonian, Arab and the Yemenite communities were illustrated by many new recordings, made on the spot and collected by the lecturer for her "Ethnological Institute of Jewish Music" (Ministry of Education and Culture), and by some short colour films showing Yemenite tribes — among them the legendary Habanim of Hadramouth — in their authentic costumes and dances. The rare beauty of these people, the suggestiveness of their dances, the mystic emotion of their lyrics and songs proved once more the necessity of preserving this material and treating it as one of the greatest treasures of the Jewish people. It is a matter of conscience, of responsibility in respect to future generations, to preserve this priceless heritage while there is still time.

PRANGO

Ben Uri Orchestra

THE Ben Uri Orchestra, which made its début at the Adolph Tuck Hall in London recently is, one hopes, a permanent addition to Jewish musical life, writes the "Jewish Chronicle." Led by Hans Geiger, and consisting of amateurs with a stiffening of professional players, it has been developed by its conductor, Bernard Jacob, to a high degree of efficiency. It is vigorous yet clean in attack, and its upper strings especially have a fine bite and precision. Ensemble work is of a high quality already, and if other departments are not so outstanding as the strings, that is more a question of balance than material.

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OPPOSITION TO TREATIES IS MATTER OF NATIONAL PRIDE

South America Suspicious of U.S.

By J. HALCRO FERGUSON

MONTEVIDEO. — THE walls of important streets in this Latin-American capital are plastered with posters attacking the proposed military mutual assistance pact with the United States, whose ratification is now being debated by the Uruguayan Parliament.

The posters mean business with a call to the people to repudiate imperialismo yanqui.

Most of these protests are the work of the Communists or of the Right-wing minority Herrerista Party, which follows Peron's "third position" policy —opposition to both the United States and U.S.S.R.—but principally to the former. It is hard to discover the reaction of the man in the street, since he is far more interested in football than in politics, whether local or international.

Uruguay, however, is only one of seven Latin-American nations which have ratified or are in the course of debating the ratification of similar treaties with North America. The others are Brazil, Chile, Peru, Ecuador, Columbia and Cuba, and in some of these opposition to the proposed treaty has been outspoken and sometimes violent.

In Chile the coalition Government of President Gonzalez Videla, whose term ends this year, pushed the Bill through amid scenes of fierce partisanship and fiercer opposition in the House. The British Ambassador was one of the casualties when he emerged from the final debate, being mistaken by demonstrators for one of the deputies who had voted in favour. Police were kept busy for days dispersing unauthorized demonstrations, and many newspapers, while deploring rowdy behaviour, deplored the pact as well.

The Level-Headed View

In Peru, the Government of General Odria puts public order before freedom of expression, and there was no overt opposition, but level-headed Peruvians, neither Communist nor Nationalist in sympathy, frequently expressed their dislike of the pact to me in private. In Ecuador, which has just re-elected a former and highly irresponsible dictator, Velasco Ibarra, as president, opposition was backed by Communist, Nationalist, and pro-Argentine elements. In Brazil the pact was made the excuse for hostile demonstrations during the recent visit of United States Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

In Colombia opposition — though in the present disturbed state of the country it was not allowed to become overt — came from the same elements who have long been attacking Colombia's military and naval participation in the Korean War, the Communist-influenced Left Wing of the opposition Liberal Party. In Cuba, of course, Dictator Fulgencio Batista, "great and good friend" of the United States, because it suits him, had everything under control.

Basis of Fear

An eighth country, Mexico, had also been asked to sign a military treaty with the United States, but refused, although her armed forces have the closest ties with the American Army and there are many Mexicans in United States uniforms. The reason for this refusal was the unwillingness of President Aleman to take such an unpopular move on the eve of the national elections which were held last month.

At first sight Latin-American objections to these treaties would seem illogical, since the Latin peoples should get more out of them than they themselves contribute, but they are afraid of being drawn into a world-conflict which they feel is none of their business. They regard U.S. foreign policy as irresponsible and dangerous, and they fear ratification of such pacts will open the way to increased United States economic infiltration and perhaps to the establishment of large numbers of U.S. military personnel on their soil.

Finally, they are not nearly so hostile to the U.S.S.R. as their wealthier northern neighbours are, nor so frightened. Russia from here seems a long way away, while the United States influence is visible on every hand, even in Argentina.

A newspaper here recently published a thoughtful editorial, pointing out that Uruguay, an sovereignty had never, in fact, been injured by United States imperialism (or, it added kindly, by British), and that the only countries which had ever attacked Uruguay had been Argentina and Brazil, on whom the so-called Nationalists were now relying for protection against a non-existent threat.

Not Rational

Such sweet reason may be listened to by the level-headed Uruguayans but in much of the rest of the continent it would fall on uncomprehending ears.

Opposition to treaties with the United States, though rationalized on economic, strategic, political or other grounds, is essentially a matter of pride — the pride of nations which are at once older and younger than the United States. And the United States is not always too tactful in avoiding offence to that pride. If the question of military cooperation had been approached from a different angle it might have been more enthusiastically received. As it is, people here feel that they are remembered only when the United States is in trouble.

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